BE PREPARED TO HAVE THE DIFFICULT CONVERSATION Before you allow your underage children to attend a party where you think alcohol may be available, take the opportunity to inform them of how alcohol and other substances—such as marijuana—can affect their bodies and minds. Research shows that within 2 hours of drinking, 19 percent of youth ages 12 to 17 also used marijuana. Learn how you can keep underage youth informed about the consequences of substance misuse at underagedrinking.samhsa.gov.

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